Letters

Incident Team says thanks to Vernonia

To the Editor: Dear Vernonia Community

Residents, We would like to thank you for your cooperation, support, and overwhelming hospitality. Good luck as you continue to recover from this disaster. We hope that the services we were able to provide made a difference.

Office of State Fire Marshal Incident Management Team

The Office of State Fire Marshal Red Incident Management Team was made up of;

Taylor Robertson, Fire Chief, Sisters-Camp Sherman Fire District; Scott Magers, Assistant Chief, McMinnville Fire Department; Sam Phillips, Train-

ing Chief, Hillsboro Fire District: Elaine Parrott, Administrative Assistant, Jefferson Rural Fire Protection District; Colleen Olson. Training & Development. Office of State Fire Marshal; John Ketchum. Fire Chief. Keno Fire Department: Doug Koellermeier, Deputy Chief-Ops, Bend Fire Department; Dale Ledyard, Fire Chief, McKenzie Fire and Rescue; Rav Brunton, Engineer, Springfield Fire Department; Dennis Ross. Administrative Chief. Hillsboro Fire Department; John Fowler. Fire Chief, Pendleton Fire Department; Richard Smith, Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal: Scott Goff, Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; Daniel Jones, Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; Paul Nees, Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; Sarah Colvin, Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; John West,

Training Specialist, DPSST; David Neys, Assistant District Manager, ODOT - Bend; Drew Holmes, Volunteer, Bend; Randy Simpson, Chief Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; Sue Otjen, Assistant Chief Deputy, Office of State Fire Marshal; Mark Prince, Battalion Chief, Hillsboro Fire; Terry Lindauer, Battalion Chief, Hillsboro.



The first town hall saw a full house in the Washington Grade School gymnasium to get information on Tuesday, December 4.

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Community Calendar

VERNONIA

Alcoholics Anonymous American Legion Post #119 Arts & Crafts Society **Booster Club** Boy Scout Troop 201 Boy Scout Troop 860 Cemetery Beautification Comm. CERT Chamber of Commerce **Community Coalition** Cub Scout Pack 201 Friends of the Library Girl Scouts, Neighborhood 4-2 Hands On Art Committee Izaak Walton League Lions Club Municipal Airport Committee Narcotics Anonymous **Pioneer Museum Public Works Committee** Vernonia Cares Directors Vernonia City Council Vernonia Community PTA Vernonia Grange Vernonia Health Center Vernonia Learning Center Vernonia Parks Committee Vernonia Planning Comm. Vernonia Pride Vernonia Ridge Riders Vernonia RFPD Board Vernonia School Board Vernonia Sr. Center Board Vernonia Transfer Station Vern. Volunteer Ambulance Assoc. 1st Thursday Vernonia Volunteer Firefighters WOEC Directors

Mondays & Thursdays 2nd Thursday 2nd Thursday 2nd Wednesday Tuesdays Wednesdays 2nd Thursday 4th Wednesday 2nd Wednesday 2nd Monday Scout Cabin 1st Tuesday 1st & 3rd Thursdays

3rd Thursday 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 4th Thursday Saturdays

4th Tuesday

1st & 3rd Mondays **3rd Thursday 3rd Monday** 2nd Monday 1st Wednesday 3rd Wednesday 1st & 3rd Thursdays 3rd Thursday Last Thursday 2nd Tuesday 2nd Thursday 2nd Friday 2nd & 4th Saturdays. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 2nd Monday 3rd Tuesday

6:30 p.m., Head Start Bldg. 7:00 p.m., 627 Adams Avenue 2:00 p.m., City Library 7:00 p.m., VHS Library 7:00 p.m., Scout Cabin 7:00 p.m., LDS Church 6:30 p.m., City Hall For Info Call 503-429-3018 For Info Call 503-429-6081 12:30 p.m. School District Ofc. For Info Call 503-429-4250 7:00 p.m., Vernonia Library For Info Call 503-819-0143 4:00 p.m., City Hall For location call 503-429-7193 6:30 p.m., Buckhorn Restaurant 7:00 p.m., City Hall 7:00 p.m., Head Start Bldg. For Info Call 503-429-3713 7:00 p.m., City Hall For Info call 503-429-1414 7:00 p.m., City Hall 7:00 p.m., WGS Library 7:00 p.m., Grange Hall 6:00 p.m., 510 Bridge St. 6:00 p.m., VLC 6:30 p.m., City Hall 7:00 p.m., City Hall 1:00 p.m., City Hall 7:00 p.m., Senior Center 7:00 p.m., Fire Station 6:00 p.m., District Office 1:00 p.m., Senior Center Behind VHS 7:00 p.m., Fire Station 7:00 p.m., Fire Station 7:00 p.m., WOEC

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DECEMBER 2007

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M-BRFPD Board Business Mtg. 2nd Tuesday M-BRFPD Board Workshop 4th Tuesday M-B Ambulance Drill M-B Fire Drill M-B Helping Circle 2nd Monday M-B SAR Drill M-B Volunteer Assoc. 1st Tuesday Natal Grange Mondays T.O.P.S. Upr Nehalem Watershed Council For date call 429-2401

1st & 2nd Thursdays 1st & 2nd Wednesdays 3rd Wednesday 2nd Wednesday

7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station 7:30 p.m., Natal Grange Hall 6:00 p.m., Main Fire Station 7:00 p.m., Main Fire Station

FEBRUARY 2008

BANKS

Alcoholics Anonymous Alcoholics Anonymous American Legion Post #90 Banks City Council Banks Fire District #13 Banks Library Commission **Banks Planning Commission** Banks School Board Banks Youth Group Chamber of Commerce **CPO 14** Friends of the Library Lions Club Sunset Park Assoc. T.O.P.S.

Wednesdays 2nd Tuesdays 2nd Tuesday 2nd Wednesday **3rd Tuesday** Last Tuesday 2nd Monday Sundays, Wednesdays 1st Thursday 3rd Monday 2nd Tuesday 1st & 3rd Mondays 3rd Wednesday

Fridays Wednesdays

7:30 p.m., Methodist Church 7:30 p.m., Methodist Church 7:30 p.m., Main Street Post 7:30 p.m., City Hall 7:00 p.m., Station 13 7:00 p.m., City Library 7:00 p.m., City Hall 7:30 p.m., Jr. High Library 7:00 p.m., UMC Youth Bldg. 12:30 p.m., Fire District Office 7:00 p.m., City Library 7:00 p.m., City Library 7:00 p.m., Brown Derby 8:00 p.m., Gun Club 7:00 p.m., Administration Bldg.

COLUMBIA COUNTY (All meet in St. Helens unless otherwise noted.) Board of Commissioners Citizens for Senior Justice Columbia Soil & Water District County Fair Board **County Parks Commission** Mental Health Advisory Comm. Comm. on Children & Families Local Alcohol & Drug Plann. Comm.

Wednesdays 10 a.m., Courthouse 7:00 p.m., Sunset Park Church 2nd Tuesday 3rd Wednesday 7:30 p.m., NRCS , 2514 Sykes 7:00 p.m., Fairgrounds 4-H Bldg. 2nd Monday 3rd Monday 6:00 p.m., 1054 Oregon St. **3rd Tuesday** 10 a.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse **3rd Thursday** 5:30 p.m. OSU Ext., 550 N. Hwy. 30 2nd Tuesday 3:00 p.m., 2nd Floor, Courthouse

Organizations and meeting dates not listed may be included by calling 429-9410 or by mail to The INDEPENDENT, 725 Bridge Street, Vernonia, OR 97064.